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A girl adds icing to a gingerbread cookie during the Breakfast with Santa event at YMCA Wanakita, outside of Donald on Saturday, Dec. 7. The event enjoyed its ninth year and offered a visit with Santa, carnival games, Christmas card making, and featured its free all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet./DARREN LUM Staff

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Visiting Newfoundland, book in hand

Often what is happening in your life will influence your reading choices. My mom is the caregiver for my dad as they continue on their journey of living with Alzheimer's. She badly needed a break so my sister-in-law and I took her to Newfoundland. Before we went I started reading about a place I had never been before.

The first thing I read was two memoirs by Alan Doyle the singer-songwriter and front man of the Canadian band Great Big Sea who grew up in the small coastal fishing community of Petty Harbour, Newfoundland.

BESSIE SULLIVAN
BESSIE'S BOOKS AND OTHER THINGS

In his first memoir, *Where I Belong*, Doyle "paints a vivid, raucous and heartwarming portrait of a curious young lad destined to become a renowned musician and carry on the musical tradition of generations before him. He tells of a childhood surrounded by larger-than-life characters who made an indelible impression on his music and work; of his first job on the wharf cutting out cod tongues for fishermen; of growing up in a family of five in a two-bedroom house with a beef-bucket as a toilet, yet lacking nothing; of learning at his father's knee how to sing the story of a song and learning from his mother how to simply 'be good'; and finally, about leaving everything you know behind only to learn that no matter where you go, home will always be with you." (HCPL catalogue description) Doyle followed up *Where I Belong* with *A Newfoundlander in Canada*, which continues his story through the lens of touring different parts of Canada with Great Big Sea.

Petty Harbour is about half an hour south of St. John's and Doyle talks a lot about that city in his books. When I passed a music store on Water Street, I knew what an important role it played in shaping the musician.

People in Newfoundland are fierce survivors and becoming part of Canada in 1949 is still a fresh memory for many Newfoundlanders. Not all are convinced that it was a good idea to join Canada and it is very important to them that visitors to the province understand the history.

Newfoundland and Labrador is a huge land mass sparsely populated by half a million people. One of the most controversial government programs of post-Confederation Newfoundland and Labrador were attempts at resettlement initiated between 1954 and 1975. The resettlement resulted in the abandonment of 300 communities and nearly 30,000 people moved. The argument was that the tiny outpost communities, often on islands, could not adequately be reached by government services. Some of the buildings were simply left while others others were moved. Recently, some people have started reclaiming family homes and treating them as cabins to visit in good weather as many can only be reacvivhed by boat.

St. John's, Newfoundland 2019

Printmaker David Blackwood depicts Newfoundland history in vivid, sometimes horrifying black and white prints. A house being pulled across the ice was not an uncommon scene during the resettlements. *Black Ice: David Blackwood Prints of Newfoundland* by Katherine Lochnan examines the history and culture of Newfoundland through the work of David Blackwood. Of Blackwood she says, "No one has captured that spectacular landscape more brilliantly: the starkness, monumentality and breadth of vision."

Reading the book about Blackwood and looking at his art gives some insight into the love and admiration that Newfoundlanders have for their way of life and their resilience.

Two novels came out this year by Canadian authors that had I not visited the province I might not have believed what happens in the stories. Early in December Erin Kernohan-Berning talked about *Our Homesick Songs* by Emma Hooper. This story centres on yet another blow that Newfoundland has experienced, the loss of the fish industry. Many more communities, aside from the resettlement ones, lie half abandoned as the people who lived there have left the fishing out-ports for work elsewhere. One of the main characters in the book goes into the abandoned houses in her community and decorates them in the style of the country she has chosen. She begins to call the houses by their country name, Italy, France etc. This photo I took

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Ruggedness and hospitality of Newfoundland prove true

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took in August is the out-port town I stayed in where less than half these houses actually have people living in them.

The second novel about Newfoundland that I loved this year was *The Innocents* by Michael Crummey. At the beginning of the book a "brother and sister are orphaned in an isolated cove on Newfoundland's northern coastline. Their home is a stretch of rocky shore governed by the feral ocean, by a relentless pendulum of abundance and murderous scarcity.

Still children with only the barest notion of the outside world, they have nothing but the family's boat and the little knowledge passed on haphazardly by their mother and father to keep them. Muddling through the severe round of the seasons, through years of meagre catches and storms and ravaging illness, it is their fierce loyalty to each other that motivates and sustains them." (HCPL catalogue description)

This book was nominated for several awards including the Giller. Again, had I not seen the isolation of the coast line in Newfoundland, I could not imagine a life where contact from the outside world happens twice a year when a boat comes to deliver supplies in the spring and take the dried fish in the fall.

I fell in love with this province but realize that for the people who live there it is not always easy. All the stories you hear about the friendliness of the people and their hospitality are true. The rugged landscape and vast ocean had the effect of making many things feel inconsequential. It is not a stress-free time for my family right now and being able to take this trip with my mom and sister-in-law while my brother, husband, and son stayed with my dad was a very positive experience. As always my world is hugely enriched by books and what they do to expand my knowledge.

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Firefighters John Granger and Dan Chumbley were visited by former firefighter Keith Robertson, right, and shoppers exiting Todd's Independent during a toy drive held Dec. 14 at the store./SUE TIFFIN Staff

Toy drive at Todd's

Todd's Independent hosted another toy drive this year at their store, staffed by the Dysart firefighters, inviting community members - and Santa - to contribute.

Cheryl McCombe chooses a book to donate to the Todd's Independent annual toy drive held in conjunction with the Dysart et al firefighters on Dec. 14.

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Maybelle's Christmas Story, don'tcha know

Maybelle's **Fireside stories**

"Sleigh bells ring, are you listening? In the lane snow is glistening."

Why, if ol' Maybelle and my good friends, Vilma Yucch, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom, Beanpole Starkman and Sybil Beaucannon Hughes weren't singing our favourite Christmas songs in front of a warm crackling fire in my cottage living room when suddenly there was a loud knock at the door.

"He's here!" Beanpole yelled.

"That's got to be him!" Sybil spewed.

Then, we all shouted, "Jack!" and ran to the door.

Officer McB gave my big oak door a manly yank, and in flew a wallop of snow along with ol' Jack Thompson, a vision of winter beneath his snow covered beard, bright red tuque and eyelashes.

"Can't keep ME away!" he laughed heartily, then shuffled his way in, in thick mega boots and heavy winter gear. "Hello, my friends!" he shouted.

"Jack!" "Jack!" Jack!" We were all like little kids in the presence of this bigger than life vision welcoming him with unbridled excitement and opened arms.

Beanpole grabbed his jacket and hat as everyone rushed in for a group hug. Jack Thompson, an award-winning journalist on the now defunct *Toronto Telegram* newspaper and author of half a dozen novels whose stories were based in the village where he grew up – Lake WhaddayathinkImean – had since become the Santa Claus of story-telling travelling around Ontario each year bringing Christmas cheer to folks in retirement homes and kids in hospitals.

Before ambushing him with questions, ol' Maybelle offered him a nice hot cuppa cocoa and a slice of Sybil's to-live-for homemade apricot and banana coffee cake, don'tcha know.

"Maybelle, you sure know the way to a man's heart," he said, warming his hands by the fire, then taking the savouries in hand.

"Jack," Vilma said, "what story did the kids like most this year?"

Sipping his cocoa, Jack thought a moment and said: "You know, both kids and older folks liked this one story best of all, an old tale that goes back to my grand-daddy's grand-daddy's days. Wanna hear it?"

Why if ol' Maybelle didn't jump up and down like an old out-of-control apple doll, don'tcha know. "Yes, please, yes yes!" I shouted.

"Me, too!" "Yes!" "Do it, man." He was the magnet that drew us to him like bears to honey.

"A couple of sips and we're off," he said raising his cocoa to his lips. Then putting down his cuppa, he lifted his dark twinkling eyes and began to tell his tale in a voice as smooth as silk.

"Twas two weeks before Christmas and all through the town (all two blocks of it), creatures were stirring, shopping around. Ed's Taxidermy was lit up like an old twinkling tree, so was Ethel's Spa and Fudge Shop, giving away biscuits for free. Yes, two weeks before Christmas, excitement grew thick. Hunting season was over for every Manny, Moe, and Dick.

"The night was bright and the moon shone down, leading Clarence McClusky to the far edge of town. Knee-deep in snow with a sack full of toys – dolls, games, and mittens for sleeping girls and boys. He made his way through the cold as this was his goal, to bring joy like Saint Nick to the young and the old. Didn't matter to Clarence that his own gloves were torn and his boots were a-flapping, he kept moving along.

"Then just as he came to the old Hampstead place, the spirit of Christmas filled him with grace. He shouted with joy for all who might hear, 'The spirit of Christmas is nearer than near. The spirit of Christmas is there in your heart. Turn it on, let it shine, let it be your north star. Yes, decorations are lovely, their twinkle and hue. But, dear friends and neighbours, let the light in your house … let the light in your house … Oh! let the light in your house be YOU!'"

Merry Christmas, dear readers, from all of us in Lake WhaddayathinkImean.

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Jerelyn's novel, "Vessie Flamingo Outshining the Moon," is available at amazon.com

Top 10 kind of Christmases to wish for

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

I GET IT. Everyone loves a white Christmas. And while I have no issue with one either, you can hardly blame me for wanting to experiment a bit here. After all, there are several other types of Christmas that might be fun too.

With that in mind, I'd like to present 10 other types of Christmas I'm dreaming of:

1. A Christmas when a cat does not topple a single tree: Just once, I'd like to see a Christmas where tree and cats can co-exist peacefully in the spirit of the season.
2. A Christmas where I get the colour, style and size right: I'm pretty sure this would be considered the second Christmas miracle, right after Immaculate Conception.
3. A Christmas when they invent fat-free eggnog: Maybe they could sell it with an accompanying treadmill?
4. The Christmas when everyone decides they'd rather not eat fruitcake: Is it wrong to want more for me?
5. The non-tofurkey Christmas: There's just no reason for others to suffer so needlessly.
6. The teleport Christmas: It'd just be nice for loved ones to beam in for a visit.
7. The debt free Christmas: This could be the third Christmas miracle.
8. The no socks, underwear or tie Christmas: I think I can speak for all middle-aged dads on this one.
9. The every Christmas light works Christmas: Am I asking for too many miracles?
10. The ideal Christmas: This would be one where no one goes hungry, everyone feels loved, everyone has a home and family to go to, kindness takes the place of cruelty and there's finally peace throughout the world. Wouldn't that be the best Christmas ever?

Have a merry Christmas and a safe and happy holiday season.

Into winter – part two

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Dripping barren branches and lonely leaves
Clinging for dear life holding memories
Of warm days and lush greens,
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Hold that thought, she says…
Wait for the curtain call
Suddenness of blizzard whiteness
First floating, then pummeling down
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So familiar to the four leggeds who inhabit
The woods and move with hesitating stealth
Amongst the balsams grazing bits of bark
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Breakfast with Santa

The ninth annual Breakfast with Santa event at YMCA Wanakita, near Donald drew a large crowd on Saturday, Dec. 7. The event featured an all-you-can-eat buffet, a visit with Santa Claus, carnival games, gingerbread decorating and Christmas card making./DARREN LUM Staff

Above, while older siblings eight-year-old Jordyn Braun, left, and three-year-old Paisley smile for the photographer, one-year-old Remington has another idea.

Right, there was plenty of food available at the all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet.

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Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start
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Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend.
Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays: Cribbage 1 p.m. start
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Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for more information call the Legion today at 705-457-2571, email rcl129@bellnet.ca or visit haliburtonlegion.com Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129.
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Christmas Eve Service (with choir)
When: Dec. 24, 4 p.m.
Where: Highland Hills United Church, Minden

Christmas Eve Service
When: Tuesday, Dec. 24, 7 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. at Pine St., Haliburton
Joint Pastoral Charge Evening Service – Communion and Special Guest Music Artists

Free Public Skating sponsored by Karen Nimigon, Century 21 Granite Realty Group Ltd
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Where: A. J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton

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Where: A. J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton

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When: Friday, Jan. 3, noon to 1:30 p.m.
Where: A. J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton

Minden Legion presents Gord Kidd
When: Saturday, January 4, 2020, 2 to 5 p.m.
Where: Minden Legion
Lunch available to purchase from 12-2pm, Meat Draw at 1:00 pm

Taoist Tai Chi - Open Houses
Haliburton Haliburton United Church
Mon. Jan. 6 9:30 am – 11:30 am
Thurs. Jan. 9 10:00 am - noon
Kinmount Galway Community Hall
Mon. Jan. 6 10:00 am - noon
Thurs. Jan 9 10:00 am - noon
Stanhope Stanhope Community Center
Tues. Jan. 7 10:00 am - noon
Fri. Jan. 10 10:00 am - noon
For more information: contact Wilma at 705 457-5829

No-Family Doctor Immuization Clinic
When: Wednesday, Jan. 8
Where: Health Unit office (191 Highland Street, Unit 301) in Haliburton.
Free immunization clinics for families without a doctor. To book an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 1507.

Sexual Health Clinic
When: Wednesday, Jan. 8, 10:30 am to 12:30 p.m.
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 1205.

Mike Stevens: Harmonica Virtuoso
When: Thursday, Jan. 9, 6:30 p.m.
Where: Highland Hills United Church, 21 New Castle Street, Minden
What: Breathe in the world. Breathe out the music. In this energetic and interactive family performance with awe inspiring harmonica virtuoso Mike Stevens, discover that music is inside and around us all the time. Presented by Razzamataz Kids' Shows! For more info and tickets visit www.razzamataz.ca/shows/ or contact Dawn Mole-Hurd 705-854-0728

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129 Haliburton Ladies Auxiliary Sunday Breakfast
When: Sunday, Jan.12, 9:30 to 1 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Legion, Main Hall
Cost: $6
Menu: Eggs or pancakes, bacon or sausage, hash browns, toast, orange juice, tea/coffee.

Environment Haliburton!/Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Enviro-Cafe
When: Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton United Church
What: Paul Heaven of Glenside Ecological Services will speak about how wetlands mitigate the effects of climate change.
Cost: by donation
Info: Susan Hay 705-457-9239

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129-Haliburton presents the Highland Trio in the Clubroom
When: Saturday, Jan. 18, 3 to 6 p.m.
Where: Haliburton Legion, Clubroom
Cost: $5.00 cover charge for non-members
*50/50 draw at 6:00 pm

Minden Agricultural Society's Annual General Meeting
When: Saturday Jan. 18, 12 p.m.
Where: Highland Hills United Church, 21 Newcastle Street, Minden
Come and enjoy a complimentary lunch and meet many of our volunteers
For more information please contact Eric Casper at 705-455-7997or email casper.3742@gmail.com

Sexual Health Clinic
When: Wednesday, January 22, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.
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Recurring Events

Devotional Gatherings
When: Mondays and/or Tuesdays, 2:30 and/or 7 p.m., to be arranged
Where: In homes at Minden, Kennisis Lake, Haliburton
What: Come join us for prayers, meditations and readings; all spiritual traditions are honoured and welcome. An open space for reflection, prayer and sharing for well-being of individuals and the state of the world. "Religion should unite all hearts and cause wars and disputes to vanish from the face of the earth..." Call Kathie/George at 705-286-3378 or Pat at 416-606-9657

The Highland Storytelling Circle
Beginning Dec. 5, 7 to 8:30 p.m.
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Classes are free
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Grief Support Group Community Support Services
When: 1st Wednesday of Every Month Hyland Crest Auditorium, Minden Hospital 1 to 3 p.m. or 2nd Wednesday of Every Month Abbey Retreat Center, 1150 Garden Gate Drive West Guilford 1 to 3 p.m.
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Taoist Tai Chi
Stanhope - Stanhope Community Centre
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Friday 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Haliburton - Haliburton United Church
Monday 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
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Kinmount- Galway Community Hall
Monday 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
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For more information please contact Wilma at 705-457-5829 or Taoist.org/Peterborough for schedule of classes

Minden Bible Church for Children's and Youth Programs
KidzLife (Mid-Week Kids Program): Every Tuesday, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
MBC Youth (Youth Group): Every Thursday, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
KidzLife ages: Grades JK to Grade 6
MBC Youth ages: Grades 7 to12
All are welcome and invited! Together, we will: learn about the truth and the life in Jesus Christ, play epic games, meet others within the community of Minden, eat snacks, etc.
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Morning Glories Fitness
Where: Upstairs, A.J. LaRue Arena, Haliburton
When: Tuesday and Friday mornings, 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.
Ladies fitness group for all levels
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Community Drum Circle
Wednesdays 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
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Haliburton: Pickleball
When: Tuesday and Friday evenings from 7 to 9:30 p.m.
Where: Haliburton High School Gym.
Cost is $2 and rackets are provided. Bring clean indoor shoes.
Contact Jennifer Coates 705-749-3787 for further info.

Minden: Pickleball
When: Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Where: S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre, Minden
Racquets are provided so all you need are clean indoor shoes.
Cost is $2
Contact: Elisha Weiss, Community Development Coordinator, 705-286-2298 or eweiss@mindenhills.ca

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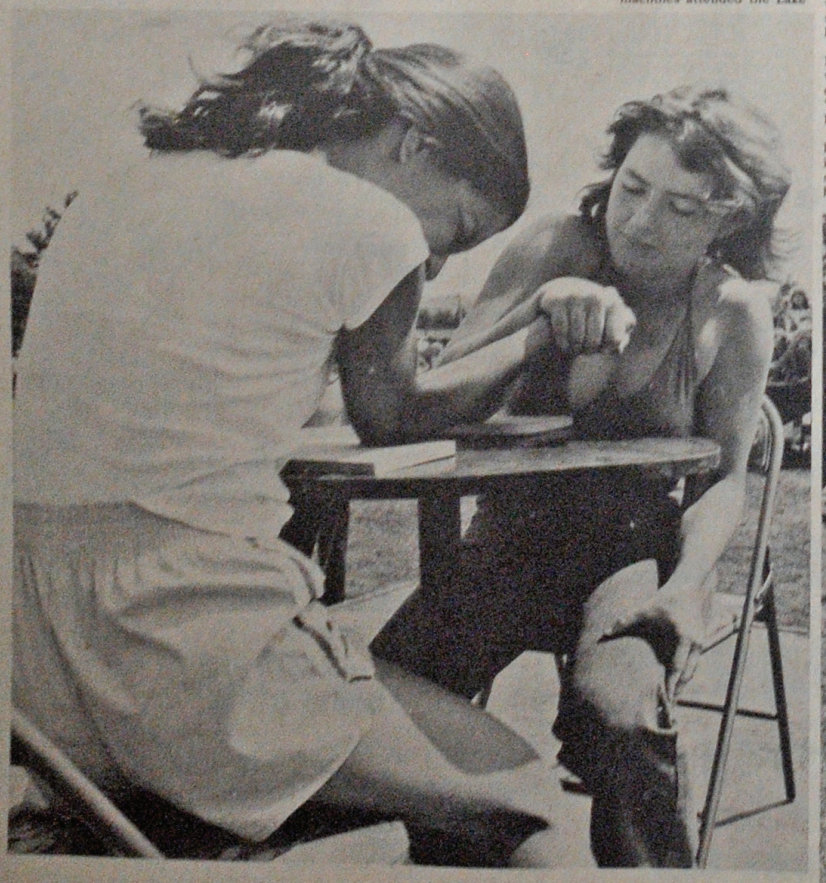
A good year for sports in Haliburton County

In 1978, Haliburton County gained two rinks, a couple of championships and keen competition

A view of County sports in retrospect

February — Haliburton wins Carpentier, Neimann Pee Wee Tourney

March — A collision at the Glen Dart Memorial Tourney in Haliburton



August — Ladies arm-wrestling, Haliburton County Fair

January

The new Haliburton Curling Club opened and a new era of the sport began for Haliburton curlers.

The Haliburton Travelways Huskies, playing good hockey during the season, blew a 6-2 lead over Lakefield in the third period and allowed the visiting team to score four goals in the period to tie the game. It was a particularly embarrassing loss for the Huskies, since they were playing before one of the biggest crowds ever assembed at Dysart Arena.

A meeting of the executive of Haliburton Minor Hockey was held and plans were completed for the Lake Kashagawigamog Atom Tournament, which was to be held toward the latter part of the month.

The 19th Annual Skyline Spiel, with 32 rinks competing, was held and both 'A' and 'B' events were won by Oshawa teams.

February

More than 1,000 snowmobilers braved freezing temperatures and manoeuvred a 100-mile course to raise money for the Ontario Society for Crippled Children.

Members of the local figure skating club held their annual show at the Dysart Arena and was termed a success by its organizers.

As a result of a bitter dispute that arose between the Haliburton Beaconbrook Midgets, the Cannington team and the OMHA, the coach of the Haliburton team demanded the resignation of Ed Grimshaw, the OMHA convenor from Uxbridge, and the possible withdrawal of Haliburton from further OMHA affiliation.

Oshawa won the Lake Kashagawigamog Tourists Association's three-day Pee-wee tournament.

John Coneybeare won the five-kilometre Echo Cup snowmobile race held at Head Lake toward the end of February.

Residents of Monmouth Township marked the end of a year's effort of constructing the Monmouth Arena in Wilberforce after its completion on March 1.

Despite an extensive advertising campaign, only 10 machines attended the Lake Kashagawigamog Tourists Association Snowmobile rally.

March

Following the opening of the Haliburton Squash Club early in the month, an open house was held and drew many perspective squash players.

Minor hockey teams in Minden and Haliburton were into their playoffs in early March and fared well in the finals.

The Haliburton Huskies dropped the first game of the league finals to Lakefield in a game that was marred with penalties.

The Haliburton Tri-County Peewees advanced to the finals by dumping the Minden team 2-1 in the series.

The Minden Juveniles advanced to the all Ontario OMHA finals after eliminating Havelock in seven games.

April

The Haliburton Huskies had their season come to an end when they lost a sudden death seventh and deciding final game to the Lakefield Chiefs by a narrow 9-7 margin.

The Minden Bantams evened their best of seven all Ontario finals at two each on the strength of a 11-1 drubbing and a narrow 5-4 victory in games played at the Minden Arena.

The Minden Juveniles were beat out by Lucan in four straight games in the OMHA Ontario finals.

Over 200 people turned out in the wee hours to welcome back to Minden the hometown Bantams who went down in OMHA annals as the 1977-78 Ontario Bantam 'D' champions.

A Toronto man emerged the champion at the end of a gruelling morning of squash at the first annual Rockcliffe Hotel Invitational Squash Tournament.

May

The annual spring dinner and dance of the Haliburton Curling Club was held at the PineStone Inn with more than 100 curlers attending.

On May 3, the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School held their track meet and gave the students the opportunity to compete on an even level with their peers. By the end of the day, six champions were declared and eight school records had been broken.

The H.H.S.S. Track and Field Team, led by triple winner Brian Mulholland, defended their Kawartha West title at I.E. Weldon High school in Lindsay.

The former Whitby Dunlops, the 1958 World Champions who defeated the Russians in international play, held a reunion and banquet at the PineStone Inn during the May 24 weekend.

The Minden Recreation Committee wanted Minden area baseball teams to form an association that would be responsible for scheduling use of the ball diamond for the various teams involved.

June

Susan Kennedy and Larry Stinson were named girl, boy athletes of the year at the H.H.S.S athletic banquet held at the Legion Hall.

The Haliburton County Ladies Softball season got underway on June 5 with two games being played.

Haliburton won the 'A' division of the Haliburton County field day. The competitors consisted of elementary school students from across the County.

July

Plans to operate a camp for girls, at a local lodge, through the Oshawa Gemeni Gymnastics Club, were scrapped.

Between 1,500 and 2,000 people showed up at the Harcourt Baseball Tournament to watch some fine industrial league baseball.

August

The Minden Seniors were the top team in the league as the regular season closed in Haliburton County Ladies Softball. The team finished the season with 19 wins and no losses.

The first annual Haliburton County Ladies Softball Tournament was held and drew teams from Oakwood, Little Britain, Carnarvon, Norland and Haliburton. Oakwood ended up winning the tourney.

Gooderham came away the winners at the Wilberforce Ladies Softball Tournament held in late August.

September

A demolition derby was held in Kinmount during the Kinmount Fair with a Toronto man coming out as the winner.

Minden and Haliburton ladies battled for the County championship softball title, with Haliburton eventually coming away the winners.

Local hockey officials in Hlaiburton claimed that the mandatory use of safety equipment is causing an increase in rough play in minor hockey.

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Redmen kicked off their season in mid-September.

Rick Wood was announced as the Huskies coach for the upcoming season.

The 1978 Corduroy Enduro motocross race was held at Deer Lodge, Local Haliburton father and son team, Dave Dodd Sr. and Jr. captured several of the awards.

The Haliburton Redmen

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May — HHSS Track meet - Mike Scheffee, Brent Colliver

August — Ladies softball, collision at home plate

July — Tug of war at Harcourt Fun Fair

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From humble beginnings in 1953, we have grown to become a recognized insurance brokerage in the Highlands. When my grandfather, Floyd Hall, started the brokerage he focused on building relationships. That remains our objective to this day. Our clients typically know us by name, call us directly or personally visit our office to discuss their needs. We thank them for the trust they place in us. For those who don't know us, we welcome your inquiry.

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QUIET, CALM & PEACEFUL

WENONA LAKE $683,000

3BR, 3 bath. Open concept kitchen and dining, large master with 3pc ensuite and screened in porch. 125ft of frontage with stunning western lake front views.

BEAUTIFUL PRIVATE LOT

HALIBURTON LAKE $639,000

3 BR, 2 Bath year-round home/cottage. Private 176ft of frontage. Sandy beach. Open concept living. Pine cathedral ceilings. Fully finished lower level. Single garage, 2 storage sheds.

FINISHED TO PERFECTION

TWELVE MILE LAKE $569,969

A million dollar view! Nice and bright custom built 3 BR, 3 bath home across the road from Twelve Mile Lake. Waterfront enjoyment without waterfront taxes.

SEASONAL COTTAGE

LONG LAKE $499,900

2 BR, 1Bath. Seasonal cottage. 54 acres. 650ft of frontage. Ample privacy. Hard packed sand shoreline. Excellent swimming.

VACANT LOTS

Kennisis Lake $895,000 4.3AC
Drag Lake $499,000 7.24AC
Colborne Lake $289,000 4.83AC
Contau Lake $165,000 1.33AC
Irondale River $79,000 3.22AC
Contau Lake Road $49,000 3.91AC
Old Donald Road $44,900 3.49AC
Wenona Lake $40,000 0.42AC
Fred Jones Road $25,000 0.38AC

Seasons Greetings From

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We wish you the very best as 2019 comes to an end and look forward to good health & prosperity in the New Year!

Linda, Karen, Kim & Alyssa

THE RE/MAX COLLECTION

Spruce Lake

5 BR, 4 Bath. 225ft of frontage. Southern exposure. Gorgeous landscaping and gazebo. Bunkie. Detached double garage. Backup generator.
$1,399,000

Grass Lake

Breathtaking 4BR, 4 bath cottage or waterfront home. Sunny level lot with South Eastern views. 5 minutes from Haliburton Village. Personal boat launch. Part of Haliburton's 5 lake chain.
$1,050,000

Colbourne Lake

25 Acres with 300 ft of frontage. 4 BR, 2 bath log home/cottage. Open concept living. Warp around covered deck, private boat launch. Heated workshop, garage and bunkie.
$999,000